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Mr. F. R. Dolbear

Bar Harbor, Maine

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For many reasons, I am not in a position to advise as to the publication of the story you have sent. There are some obvious mistakes in it and little that is not well known. Furthermore, the author seems to have little information on Otto John's extraordinary behavior in defecting, etc.

Both your letter and the book were delayed in reaching me as they were addressed to "5907 Ramsgate Road, Bethesda, Maryland." I have never had any such address and can't imagine where you got it.

Sincerely,

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June 17, 1958

Dear Allen:

I got back from Rome on the 31st of May and then went on to Hartford to arrange some matters connected with the death of Cousin Gertrude last December. From there I drove to Bar Harbor where I can rest a bit and breathe some good air.

There are one or two things that I stumbled on while in Rome which I think will be of interest to you. A few years back I met a Mr. Graham who, I learned, was the British officer in Lisbon who speeded Father Morlion on his way to this country when the Gestapo were on his heels. We struck up a very friendly relationship and I was glad to see him again this year. He was junior to Sir Claude Dansey during the last war. He is naturally still much interested in political matters and his present occupation is to send a weekly report on world conditions to the head of the Fiat works in Milan.

He has written an account of an episode in which he encountered Otto John. He is desirous of selling it for publication, but would not wish his name to appear. He asked me to see if I could do anything about it. He would be willing to have it rewritten if the publisher so desired.

I should be glad if you could make any suggestions to me of a magazine or other publication which would be likely to buy it. But more than that I think Graham might be of use to you in some way and that is the suggestion I wish to make.

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I am sending you under separate cover a book which he loaned to me which, perhaps, would be interesting reading for you also. When you are through with it

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please return it to me so that I may send it on to Graham, or you could send it direct if you care to. His address is:

Sig. Graham Maingot

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This might serve as a convenient way of getting in touch with him.

Please return the manuscript as I have no copy.

There are very many things I should like to discuss with you and I hope to get down to Washington somewhat later on, perhaps after a board meeting in New York.

With warmest regards,

Yours ever,

Fred

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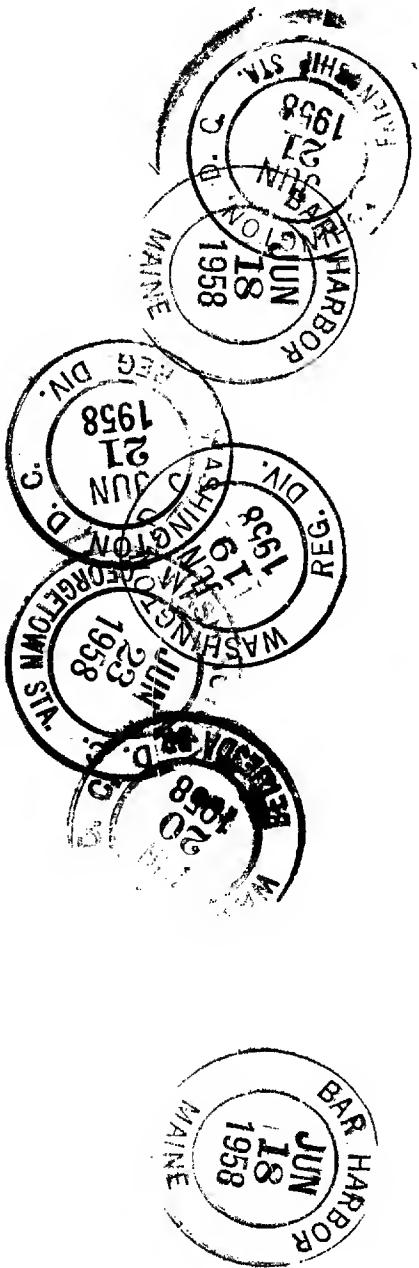
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Thanks again for writing me.

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